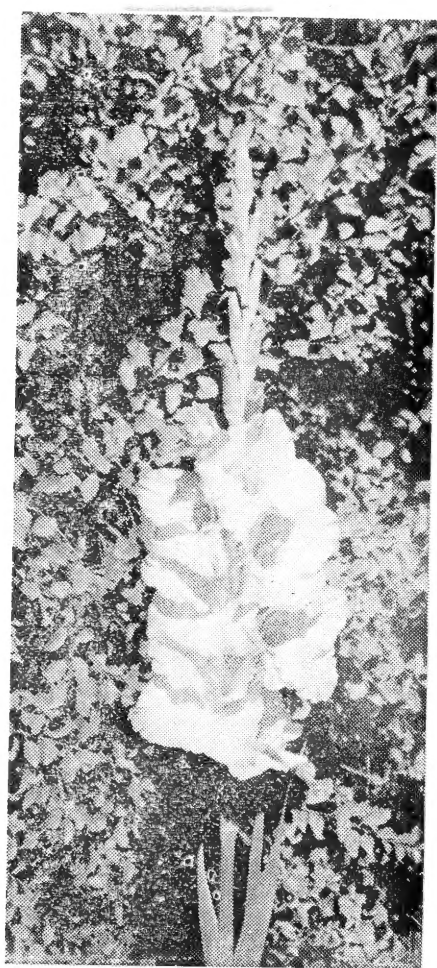


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In presenting this Catalogue we wish to take this opportunity to thank our many customers of the past for their orders, also those of you who gave us orders last summer at blooming time.

We also wish to invite every one of you to come and see our gardens in bloom this summer.

We have quite a few varieties not listed as we have a limited amount of them. If there are some varieties that you wish that we haven't listed, please write us.

We are located in Kings, Illinois, on State Highway 64—22 miles south of Rockford and 80 miles west of Chicago and 11 miles east of Oregon, Illinois.

## ***Gladiolus Cultural Directions***

A plot which will produce good vegetables will produce good gladiolus spikes. Select a planting plot away from trees or buildings. Tree roots rob the ground of moisture and buildings reflect heat.

**PREPARE YOUR GLAD BED WELL.** Plant bulbs 5 to 6 inches deep. Space them 6 inches apart in the row.

Since all people do not kill thrip at planting time, there is danger of getting thrip from other gardens because thrip can fly and are also carried by the wind, so when your glads are about 6 inches high start spraying or dusting to prevent thrip injury.

Make a spray solution by dissolving 1 ounce of 50% wettable DDT in 3 gallons of water. If you prefer dusting use 5% DDT in a small dust gun. **SPRAY OR DUST EVERY 10 DAYS** up to blooming time. All sprays and dust are poison.

Glads are primarily cutflowers. Cut the spike when the first flower opens and develop them indoors. They will open in water, and you can enjoy them indoors a long time. When cutting the spikes leave at least 4 leaves on the plant to develop the bulb for next year.

October is the usual bulb digging month. Lift the bulbs with a spade. Cut the stem off close to the bulb. Dry them in shallow boxes or trays until dry enough to remove the old bulb and roots, then dust the cleaned bulbs with 5% DDT and store in cloth bags, screen bottom trays or shallow boxes in coolest place you have but they dare not freeze.

All stock offered subject to prior sale. Where bulblets are listed by the "packet" there will be 50 to 100 bulblets or more in package. Five bulbs will be sold at one-half the price per ten.

## ***Bulb Sizes***

Glad bulbs are graded into six sizes: No. 1 bulbs are 1½ inch or larger in diameter. No. 2 is 1¼ to 1½ inch in size. No. 3 is 1-inch to 1¼ inch. No. 4 is three quarter inch up to 1 inch. No. 5 and 6 are one-quarter inch smaller with No. 6 being a half inch bulb, and considered the smallest size sold commercially. "Large" bulbs are considered No. 1 and No. 2. Mediums are No. 3 and No. 4 mixed. Small bulbs are Nos. 5 and 6. Most varieties will produce a very good bloom from medium bulbs, and Nos. 5 and 6 will usually bloom altho quite late in the season. Many varieties will supply a fair bloom from well grown bulblets.

## ***The Ten Prettiest?***

This is only our opinion, based mostly on last year's performance and only takes into consideration the one we have in some quantity.

Mother Fischer, Dieppe, Noweta Rose, Red Wing, Burma, Friendship, Lavendar Lace, Aureole, Columbia and White Lace.

### ***Mixed Bulbs***

Here is your chance to save plenty — If you are one of those gardeners who love flowers but do not care to grow each variety separately, by name, you can get tremendous value in these mixtures. Bulbs are first quality and are hand mixed to give splendid color combinations. If you want lots for little money, the small bulbs offered will bloom this year. Blooms will be a little smaller but you will have a fine crop of large bulbs for next year. Look for them near the back of this catalogue.

**TERMS**—Cash with order—or remit 25% with order and balance may be remitted before shipping date—or we will send COD for the balance if you prefer. Minimum order we can accept is \$2.50.

All bulbs have been state inspected and dusted with 5% DDT powder to insure them being thrip free at planting time, however as thrip fly, your plants should be dusted with DDT throughout the summer.

If your order is found to be unsatisfactory you may return it at once and we will refund your purchase price.

We will send only healthy bulbs, true to named varieties. We do not guarantee the growth of the bulbs due to many cultural methods and climatic conditions. Unless otherwise requested orders will be acknowledged in receipt and shipment made after danger of freezing is over.

### **RETAIL LIST. PREPAID-**

#### **ASTRID—560—77 days**

Fine tall growing beautiful shade of rose with narrow cream throat line. Slightly ruffled. Used extensively for hybridizing. With a good white it makes up wonderfully in arrangements.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

#### **ATATURK—354—75 days**

Very bright wine red shading lighter at the edges.

A tall growing good glad.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

#### **ATOM—236—80 days**

A nice bright scarlet with a distinct white line all around the flower petals. One of the better miniatures.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

#### **AUREOLE—410—80 days**

Large yellow, ruffled just enough to be nice. It has a lustre that sets it apart from other yellows. One of the very best of its class. Excellent propagator.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**AUTUMN MOON—510—70 days**

A large lemon yellow that grows very easily. If you are looking for a nice yellow, here it is. Try it.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**BEAUTY'S BLUSH—440—85 days**

This is a beautiful blush pink glad that with a touch of cream in the throat that blends with any of the pastel colors. It is used extensively in arrangements either by itself or with shades of pink, rose or white. It grows around 5 feet tall but stands up well and is a good keeper in water. It propagates profusely. We recommend it highly.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**BENJAMIN BRITTEN—366—80 days**

An unusual shade of deep mauve with a white stripe. A strong grower and propagator.

L. 2-25¢ 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**BETTER TIMES—376—70 days**

Here is a violet blue glad with a creamy white throat. It is one of the nicer of the blue glads. Everyone who sees it likes it very much.

L. 2-25¢ 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**BETTY DUNCAN—422**

A medium sized floret nicely frilled. Orange apricot with a yellow throat. Grows very tall spikes and very healthy.

L. 2-25¢ 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**BIKINI—424—95 days**

A late blooming brilliant red orange. Grows medium high. A nice glad.

L. 2-25¢ 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**BIRCH RED—552—90 days**

One of the very nicest deep reds we know of. Reds usually burn in the sun but this one does not. It grows tall spikes of double-rowed plain-petaled florets. The bulblets should be soaked three or four days as they are hard to germinate. If it were not for this fault it would be easily one of the 10 best varieties.

L. Ea. 20¢ 10-\$1.50; M. 2-30¢; 10-\$1.00

S. 3-30¢; 10-60¢; Bblts. 30-35¢

**BLACK CHERRY—554—85 days**

A beautiful black red that opens 10 to 12 florets on a double row one medium height spikes. A good propagator and doesn't burn in the sun as most black reds do. A good one.

L. Ea. 20¢; 10-\$1.50; M. 2-30¢; 10-\$1.00

S. 3-30¢; 10-60¢; Bblts. 30-35¢

**BLACK PHANTOM—454—80 days**

A well known dark red that most people like. It is easy to grow producing many bulblets that sprout readily. Medium sized florets. A healthy grower.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**BLONDIE—406—85 days**

An easy growing ruffled cream. It has a long flower head with medium sized florets. A hard glad to describe but really very pretty.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## BLUE LILY—

A blue miniature with yellow in the throat. Good growing habits and propagates well and very rapid.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## BOISE BELL—443—95 days

A beautiful pink and gold. Very nicely ruffled and of heavy substance. It was a great winner at the shows in '53. A good propagator. Bulblets making good sized bulbs in one season. One of the best.

L. Ea. 20¢; 10-\$1.50; M. 2-30¢; 10-\$1.00

S. 3-30¢; 10-60¢; Bblts. 30-35¢

## BOLD FACE—533—80 days

An unusual blotched variety. Wide open dark salmon florets with red and white throat. A real beautiful combination. A very strong spiked glad. A show winner. One of our favorite blotched ones.

L. Ea. 20¢; 10-\$1.50; M. 2-30¢; 10-\$1.00

S. 3-30¢; 10-60¢; Bblts. 30-35¢

## BON FIRE—436—85 days

A flaming scarlet red with a glossy sheen. A real showy glad. Grows tall and straight. Good propagator. An all purpose red.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## BOULOGNE—562—85 days

Nice plain-petaled wine red. Grows tall and stands the heat well. It is healthy and a good cut flower variety. Excellent propagator.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## 5 BULBS AT HALF THE 10 PRICE

## BUCKEYE BRONZE—490—90 days

A coppery bronze smoky that combines well in bouquets with Autumn Gold and other orange and yellow colors.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## BURMA—562—88 days

A beautiful rich ruffled velvet rose bloom. Your garden will not be complete without it. One of the best glads and admired by everyone. Used extensively for hybridizing on account of its intense ruffling. Good propagator and healthy grower.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## C. D. FORTNAM—440—90 days

Very heavily ruffled blush pink. Opens many well attached florets on a long spike. A good show winner. One of the popular new ones.

L. Ea. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; M. 20¢; 10-\$1.60

S. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; Bblts. 10-25¢; 100-\$2.00

## CELESTINA—207—65 days

A very small ruffled cream opening 5 or 6 on a short spike.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## CHINOOK—532—85 days

Beautiful lightly ruffled pink. A real large one though very nice.

L. Ea. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; M. 20¢; 10-\$1.60

S. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; Bblts. 10-25¢; 100-\$2.00

## COLUMBIA—407—85 days

A rather new variety about the color of the well known Corona. A cream with somewhat deeper edging than Corona. This becoming quite popular.

L. Ea. 75¢; 10-\$6.00; M. Ea. 50¢; 10-\$4.00

S. Ea. 35¢; 10-\$2.70; Bblts. 5-40¢

### CONNIE G.—506—75 days

A very large, heady, ruffled cream. A very pretty bloom. It had many firsts at the shows last season. If you like cream colored glads you will like Connie G.

M. 20¢; 10-\$1.60; S. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00

### CREAM OF ORCHIDS—406—70 days

A very heavily ruffled cream plus unique lacination. Very large florets. Perfect array on a tall substantial spike. The florets are covered with a waxed sparkling sheen so agreeably different from so many others. It is one that arranges well with any color. A truly remarkable variety. Healthy and propagates well.

L. Ea. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; M. 20¢; 10-\$1.60

S. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; Bblts. 10-25¢; 100-\$2.00

### CRINKLETTE—224—70 days

Our favorite of all miniatures. An orange color with nice throat markings. It is more crinkled than ruffled as the name implies. It has small florets but many open at once. Even though you don't care for miniatures you will like this one. Good propagator.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### CROWN JEWEL—461—70 days

A light rose or near lavender. The florets have a large bright red triangular blotch in the throat. It is quite a different glad. Very pretty. We like it.

L. Ea. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; M. 20¢; 10-\$1.60

S. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; Bblts. 10-25¢; 100-\$2.00

### CUPID—300—70 days

A medium sized fine white. It is very early so it is usually gone when most people visit our gardens. If you want a very early pure white, this is it. A good propagator. We cut and sell many hundred spikes. Works fine in arrangements.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### DAISY MAE—521—90 days

A deep orange salmon with a darker throat. Very strong growing and is healthy. It is large and coarse but is something different. Very pretty.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### DAWN GLOW—

An early medium light rose. Very beautiful.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; S. 10-35¢

### DIEPPE—432—85 days

A very brilliant deep salmon. Makes wonderful spikes of dazzling beauty. Nice shaped and neatly ruffled. We rate it No. 2 in our ten prettiest for last year, though it lacks nothing in growing habits. A very good propagator of bulblets that grow well. Dieppe is really a good glad.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### DUSTY MILLER—486—85 days

A dusty old rose smoky with a red throat and cream penciling. Makes strong spikes. The easiest smoky to grow we have and it is also pretty.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## ELIZABETH THE QUEEN—566—85 days

The leading Commercial Lavendar. Sometimes grows short but is nice enough to make up for it. It is a parent of many of today's leading varieties. A very pretty one. We use it with white with excellent results.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## ELMER'S ROSE—460—85 days

A great all deep rose. Beautifully ruffled large florets with many open.

L. Ea. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; M. 20¢; 10-\$1.60

S. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; Bblts. 10-25¢; 100-\$2.00

## ENCHANTMENT—432—70 days

The florets have a wide open appearance and are more crimped than ruffled. A deep salmon with a large ivory throat. An all around good glad.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## ETHEL CAVE COLE—440—75 days

A good shade of pink. This old timer (22 years old) was very good again this year. We cut and sell many spikes of it each season.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## EVANGELINE—542—90 days

A very large light rose pink with a cream throat. It is far the largest pink we have. Opens 8 to 10 at once on a large spike. Really very beautiful in spite of its huge size. Blooms from bulblets. Has been considered one of the best glads grown for several years. Healthy and propagates extremely well.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## FAIRYLAND—342—85 days

Medium sized deep pink. It is very nicely ruffled with wonderful floret placement. Fairyland is a very beautiful glad. Just right for arrangements.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE—400—80 days

This one is considered one of the best white on the market for all purposes. It opens 6 to 8 well placed slightly ruffled florets on long flower head. An excellent propagator. Does well from all sized bulbs.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## FRIENDSHIP—440—85 days

Pure pink with white waxy throat. This one we cannot say too much, for it seems to have everything. The florets are recurved with many open on a long straight spike making it delightfully different. Also one of the very first to bloom. If you only select a few varieties we would suggest this one. Definitely a florist's favorite.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## GENE—410—80 days

An intensely ruffled yellow. Very nicely ruffled, an all around good glad.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢



## GILT EDGE—250—

Red with yellow edging, a very pretty miniature.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## HARMAU—533—75 days

A large early light scarlet.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## HEART OF GOLD—401—65 days

One of the very first to bloom. Pure white with a large gold throat marking. A nice color combination.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## HIAWATHA—436—90 days

A lightly ruffled clear scarlet. Opens 7 to 8 florets on a long straight flower head. Heavy bulblets producer.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## JUNE—360—80 days

A beautiful white with a wide rose border. Very nice for arrangements.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢; S. 10-35¢

## JUNE DAY—441—58 days

June Day is very early. A medium sized pure pink with a red throat. We recommend it for an early pink.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## J. V. KONYNENBURG—436—85 days

A medium sized easy growing scarlet. A rapid propagator.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## KING LEAR—570—75 days

This is one of the varieties we started out with from one-half dozen bulbs some years ago. We have sold many bulb orders including it. We cut many hundred spikes each summer. Truly a work horse variety. A very heavily ruffled purple with a nice silver edged floret. A run-away propagator. An all around good glad. Does well from any size bulb.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## KRIS KRINGLE—236—58 days

A nice little very early scarlet. Very good growing habits.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## LADY ANNE—400—67 days

White with a yellow throat. Very nicely ruffled. A beautiful white glad for early cutting.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## LADY WAYNE—530—95 days

A bright salmon pink with deeper throat markings. A very nice and husky glad, tall, straight and a healthy grower.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## LARAMIE—425—90 days

Very showy reddish orange shading deeper in the throat. Will open 8 on a long flower head. An excellent propagator, but sometimes overlooked.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### **LAVENDAR LACE—466—80 days**

Lavendar Lace is a beautiful shade of light lavender with a creamy throat. The florets are large and ruffled. It makes up nicely in arrangements either by itself or with cream and white. It is our favorite in the lavender class. We have a large stock and we intend to increase it another year. It blooms from most any size bulbs and grows just the right height to be used in any way you wish. It is a very good propagator. The bulblets grow readily, growing into good sized bulbs the first year.

L. 2-30¢; 10-\$1.20; M. 3-30¢; 10-80¢

S. 3-25¢; 10-60¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### **LITTLE GOLD—212—80 days**

This is the richest yellow we know of. Could almost be called an orange or gold. Does not grow large, but its color style plus dainty ruffling, makes it very nice. A good one for those who like them smaller.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### **LITTLE SWEETHEART—240—80 days**

Another smaller one with lots of merit. Very nice pink with wide open florets. Nicely ruffled.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### **MOMENTO—442—85 days**

### **OUR 1953 INTRODUCTION**

**Agarita Seedling Originated by C. S. De Neir. Registered by Davis Gardens (Seedling No. 48-237.)**

Momento is a tall slightly ruffled or crimped frosty light pink with a cream throat. It grows around 55 inches tall with 4 or 5 inch florets. It grows very beautiful, double rowed spikes with nice floret formation. It is a very husky and healthy grower. It has a 29 inch flower head with 22 buds which open 8 to 12 with 8 in color. It also opens readily in water. The bulblets germinate extra well and bloom in an average season. It seems to bloom later than other good pinks. Florists who saw this glad, thought it was a very good one. The florets are strongly attached and are placed exceptionally well. It is just the right shade of pink, neither too light nor too dark. It did very well again in our dry season of 1953.

1—L. 50¢; 10-\$4.00; 1—M. 35¢; 10-\$2.80

1—S. 25¢; 10-\$2.00; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢; 100-\$2.50

### **MARGARET WOOD—570—80 days**

Deep wine colored with giant sized blooms. Average height and very healthy. Opens well when cut in bud. Good propagator.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### **MAUVE ROSE—461—70 days**

A nice tall growing deep rose shading lighter with a rose lavender throat blotch. An early bloomer.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

### **MASSOISOIT—232—78 days**

A small deep red. One of the better ones in its color class.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**MOTHER FISCHER—400—85 days**

This nice large white is fast becoming a leader. It has a shine or gloss that some whites do not have. A nicely ruffled and tall growing glad. Limited stock. So order early so as not to miss this fine one.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**MT. BAKER—540—100 days**

A large late bluish pink, very good propagator.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**MY DEAR—440—77 days**

A large early ruffled pink. Healthy and a good propagator.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**MUSIO CLEMENTY—476—74 days**

A nice blue violet of medium size. Good propagator. Bulblets germinate readily.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**NILA—454—85 days**

A very tall dark rose red which grows exceptionally well. A very nice glad.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**NEWETA ROSE—560—85 days**

This is a great show winner taking many firsts and championships in the 4 years it has been on the market. A clear lavender rose in great size in both florets and the length of the flower spike. It will stand taller than all other kinds with the exception of Belvidere. It will open more florets than any other. A real outstanding performer in '53.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**OCTOBER SUNSHINE—420—85 days**

A very nice orange to gold color. Nicely recurved florets on a long flower head, making it a very attractive glad.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**OKLAHOMA—386—90 days**

Lavendar gray with cream throat. One of the best and better known smokies.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**ORANGE GOLD—422—80 days**

Pure orange color with large florets on a large flower head. Extremely healthy. It makes about the nicest looking bulbs of any variety. A good glad.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**PACTOLUS—417—80 days**

A sort of buff cream with red blotches on the lower petals. Very beautiful. Makes up well in arrangements. A florist's favorite.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**PARTHIENA—566—80 days**

A large lavender purple glad, is a strong grower and can be very nice.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**PHAROAH—530—90 days**

A large salmon pink. One of the newer ones, a good show winner, a beautiful glad.

L. Ea. 20¢; 10-\$1.50; M. 2-30¢; 10-\$1.00

S. 3-30¢; Bblts. 30-35¢

**PEGGY LOU—442—90 days**

This one fills the late cutting needs for pink as surfside does in the whites. Medium sized and medium tall with 5 or 6 round and deep florets open at once. Large stock of nice clean bulbs, so the low price.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**PERDITA—313—90 days**

Ruffled deep yellow with red throat marking. Not tall but about right to work in arrangements. Nice in every way. A strong and healthy one.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**PHANTOM BEAUTY—440—85 days**

Delicate light pink. Opens up to 12 florets on a nice showy spike. Very nice tall growing glad. A great show winner last season.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**QUEEN OF BREMEN—266—75 days**

A nice clear lavender. Rather small but nice. A runaway propagator.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**RED CHARM—452—80 days**

One of the greatest commercial reds. Opens 6 to 8 unruffled florets on strong straight spikes. A very dependable glad.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**RED RASCAL—436—70 days**

This is a scarlet or light red with a darker cherry throat mark. A very nice one that we feel will become a leading commercial variety.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**RED WING—436—85 days**

A rich scarlet red shading deeper in the throat. Opens 8 to 10 well placed blooms on a tall spike.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**REGAL RED—536—100 days**

One of the latest and strongest stemmed glads there is. A scarlet red with a white line in the floret. Petals are slightly recurved making it very beautiful although it isn't ruffled. Blooms rather late and should be cut when the first florets open.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**RIO RITA—523—95 days**

A tall easy to grow salmon with darker markings.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**ROSELAND PICOTEE—460—70 days**

A 1953 introduction of Mr. Fischers, a wonderful propagator. A light rose with darker edges on the florets. Very beautiful.

M. 1-35¢; S. 1-25¢; Bblts. 8-25¢

**ROSA VAN LIMA—440—80 days**

Very dependable rose pink. A tall healthy grower. An old one but still very nice.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## ROYAL TREAT—452—82 days

Deep almost purple red. Nicely ruffled. Very nice.

L. 50¢; M. 40¢; 10-\$3.00

S. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; Bblts. 100-\$2.50

## RUBY—252—70 days

Another small one among the best in its class. A dark red without markings. Blooms early. You will like it.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## SALMON' GLORY—507—68 days

Every one likes this creamy wide open white with a very bright scarlet blotch in the throat. The leaves grow wider and reminds one of the iris leaf only it curls over instead of straight up, although the flower spike is very straight. You can't go wrong with some of this one as almost all cut flower buyers take it.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## SANDMAN—486—85 days

An old rose smoky with cream throat. A very strong grower and every one likes.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## SPARKS—507—95 days

A striking tall cream yellow with a fiery flame throat blotch. Very beautiful.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## SPIC AND SPAN—442—80 days

A very tall tapering spike of Salmon Pink. Nicely ruffled. One of the greatest show winners of recent years. Fast becoming a leading commercial. A good propagator, in fact, good in every way. We don't know of it having any faults whatever.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## 5 BULBS AT HALF THE 10 PRICE.

## SPOTLIGHT—417—80 days

Deep yellow with a bright scarlet splash in the throat. Large round florets. A most dependable yellow and a fast propagator.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## STARLET—200—80 days

One of the most popular miniatures. A nice little heavily ruffled white. Works well in arrangements. A good show winner.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## SUNSPOT—417—80 days

A light Apricot buff with rose center, opening 8 to 10 ruffled florets on a tall straight spike. Good propagator. Blooms easily from bulblets. It is a great show winner.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## SWEET SIXTEEN—440—75 days

This is a sport of Beauty's Blush. It is very similar but with darker pink floret. It has a cream throat. Grows tall and healthy. Another good one.

L. Ea. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; M. 20¢; 10-\$1.60

S. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; Bblts. 10-25¢; 100-\$2.00

**SURFSIDE—400—92 days**

We plant this late white for late blooming, though it does equally as well planted earlier. We had a lot of Surfside to cut after all other whites were gone. It is lightly ruffled with a dark pencilling in the throat. Grows straight, healthy, and a good propagator.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**TARAWA—436—80 days**

Ruffled scarlet with a white line on the petal. A very good one. Very conspicuous as it stands in the field.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**TEMPTATION—470—77 days**

Large flowered and medium tall. Temptation is a very pretty purple that seems to do well here.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**TROCADERO—422—87 days**

An unusual soft shade of salmon orange that grows extremely tall with a long flower head. It produces a very showy spike. It grows well from bulblets and increases rapidly. One of our favorite orange varieties.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**VELVET MANTLE—450—85 days**

A wonderful maroon glad with a beautiful rich lustrous sheen. Medium sized florets on a tall wiry spike.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**5 BULBS AT HALF THE 10 PRICE.****VICTORY QUEEN—430—95 days**

A beautiful light salmon or peach. Nicely ruffled. Classed as a salmon, but grows more buff in this locality. You should have Victory Queen to make your garden complete.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**VOGUE—466—85 days**

An unusual shade of MAUVE lavender. Heavily ruffled and can be used when other lavender or rose is required. Very beautiful and is without a doubt one of the nicest in its color class.

L. Ea. 20¢; 10-\$1.50; M. 2-30¢; 10-\$1.00

S. 3-30¢; 10-60¢; Bblts. 30-35¢

**5 BULBS AT HALF THE 10 PRICE****VOO DOO—486—80 days**

A smoky with needle point florets. Huge spikes of plum and bronze shade with apricot throat marking. This is our best smoky.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**VULCAN—470—82 days**

Beautiful magenta rosy purple. Tall growing and healthy.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

**WAYFARER—460—85 days**

A large light rose blending to a cream. White throat.

L. Ea. 20¢; 10-\$1.50; M. 2-30¢; 10-\$1.00

S. 3-30¢; 10-60¢; Bblts. 30-35¢

## WEDGEWOOD—366—70 days

Another one of the newest ruffled glads of medium size that we like. Wedgewood is a true lavender with a soft creamy throat. The floret petals recurve which makes it seem more wide open. Bulblets almost always bloom. We used this glad in baskets by itself and also with white. It makes up beautifully either way. It has to be seen to be appreciated. Really a wonderful glad. We suggest medium sizes for planting as they will bloom as well and are much cheaper.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## WHITE LACE—300—70 days

A 1951 introduction of great character. White Lace is intensely ruffled and is snowy white with an ivory throat. Is as waxy as an Easter Lily. It is really very beautiful and the right size to use in arrangements. It grows healthy and is a very rapid propagator.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## WHITE TOWER—501—75 days

One of the very promising new whites. A tall grower with very strong spikes. It has a pretty and prominent red throat blotch. Very pretty. A good one.

L. Ea. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; M. 20¢; 10-\$1.60

S. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; Bblts. 10-25¢; 100-\$2.00

## WHITE TWEEDLE—201—75 days

A white miniature with pointed petals has a red throat blotch. You will like it.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## WHITE WAVE—500—85 days

A large beautiful white. One of the newer varieties we like. Nicely ruffled florets on a strong spike.

L. Ea. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; M. 20¢; 10-\$1.60

S. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; Bblts. 10-25¢; 100-\$2.00

## WILD FIRE—436—72 days

A ruffled scarlet. Very pretty. One of Mr. Lins fine 52 introductions.

L. 50¢; M. 40¢; 10-\$3.00;

S. 30¢; 10-\$2.40; Bblts. 100-\$2.50

## XANTHIA—410—80 days

Deep yellow with darker lines in the throat. Nicely ruffled and makes a large spike.

L. 2-25¢; 10-\$1.00; M. 10-60¢

S. 10-35¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## YELLOW HERALD—411—70 days

This is the earliest yellow we have. Excellent for cut flowers. A good grower. Medium tall, prolific. One of the most disease resistant glads grown today.

L. 3-25¢; 10-80¢; M. 10-40¢

S. 10-25¢; Bblts., Pkg. 25¢

## *Regular Mixture*

10 to 20 Varieties

100-L. \$5.00

50-\$2.50

100-M. \$3.50

50-\$1.75

## *Fancy Mixture*

Larg bulbs selected from nicer varieties. Unlabeled.

POSTPAID

100-\$6.00

50-\$3.00

25-\$1.50

Med. 100-\$4.00

50-\$2.00

25-\$1.00

## ***Flower Growers Special***

These are the smaller bulbs. They consist mostly of No. 5 bulbs with some No. 4 and No. 6. They should all bloom the first season. They are selected from the ones listed in our catalogue. It includes between 12 and 15 varieties.

Unlabeled Postpaid

100 Bulbs .....\$2.00

This offer in lots of 100 Bulbs only.

## **WHOLESALE PRICE LIST**

### **NOT PREPAID**

Prices indicated are F.O.B. Kings, Illinois. Twenty-five or more bulbs of the same size and variety will be sold at the hundred rate. Write for prices for larger amounts.

#### **Price Per 100—**

No. 1.....	\$5.00
No. 2.....	4.50
No. 3.....	3.50
No. 4.....	2.50
No. 5.....	2.00
No. 6.....	1.50
Bulblets	
½ Pt.....	1.50
Pint.....	3.00

The following varieties at the above prices: Astrid, Aureole, Beauty's Blush, Benjamin Britten, Black Phantom, Boulogne, Burma, Cupid, Dieppe, Elizabeth, The Queen (No. 5's, 6's or bulblets), Ethel Cave Cole, Evangeline, Florence Nightingale, Friendship, June Day, King Lear, Red Charm, Red Rascal, Regal Red, Salmon Glory, Spic and Span, Spotlight, Surf Side, Trocadero, Voo Doo, Wedgewood, and Yellow Herald.

## ***Long Blooming Special***

These consist of from 12 to 15 varieties of varying blooming dates. They are also mixed sizes, which will prolong the blooming period in each variety allowing you to plant them all at once, and still get about the same results as if you made 2 or 3 plantings. This offer is ideal for those who do not have much time to garden but like glads. These are all selected from those listed in our catalogue.

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100 Bulbs .....\$3.75

This offer lots of 100 bulbs only.

## **— Iris —**

This very pretty perennial is second only to gladiolus in our gardens. We have a great many new kinds, including several varieties of the new flamingo pinks. We extend an invitation to you to come and see them in bloom.



## ***India Lily Bulbs***

One free with retail order of \$15.00 or more as long as they last. They are planted and dug about the same time as glads. They bloom in the late winter from the dry bulb. The bloom stalks grow 5 to 6 feet high so the bulb should be placed in a pail or a box to keep it in an upright position and to give it some support. It has a very large and different yellow bronze flower.

The premium bulbs we have need only to be grown one more season and should bloom the following winter. It takes 3 years to bring them to blooming size. They bloom year after year then the bloom stalk dies down and the remaining bulb should be taken back to the cellar or a cool dark place until planting time again. All bulbs should be stored right side up so as not to injure the shoots which usually start in January or February.

\$2.00 each without sufficient bulb order.

## ***Cannas***

### **CRIMSON BEDDAR**

Clusters of crimson bloom with green foliage.  
Grows 3½ feet tall.

### **KING HUMBERT**

Huge orange scarlet flower. Bronze foliage.  
Grows 4 feet tall.

### **NEW PINK GEM**

Dark pink flower. Green foliage.

### **THE PRESIDENT**

Scarlet red flower. Green foliage.

### **WINTZERS COLOSSAL**

A large flowering canna with bright scarlet flower. Green foliage. Grows 5 feet tall.

### **WYOMING**

Orange red flower with green foliage. Grows 4 feet tall.

## **CANNA PRICES**

Price, any of the above dormant roots, 6 for \$1.00, 12 for \$1.75, 25 for \$2.95, prepaid.

One free with trial or 25¢ for 100  
 as they last. The plant is a hardy  
 same time as gladioli. The plant  
 from the dry bulb. The plant  
 feet high to the top of the  
 box to keep it in a cool place  
 some support. The plant is a  
 bronze flower.  
 The premium price is only for  
 one more season. The plant is  
 winter. It takes 3 years to  
 size. They last for 3 years  
 dies down and the plant  
 back to the bulb. The plant  
 time again. The plant is  
 so as not to injure the  
 January or February.  
 \$2.00 each with trial or 25¢ for 100

CRIMSON HIND

Clusters of flowers  
 Grows 3 1/2 feet tall

KING HUMBERT

Large orange flowers  
 Grows 4 feet tall

NEW PINK CROWN

Dark pink flowers  
 Grows 3 feet tall

THE PRESIDENT

Scarlet red flowers  
 Grows 3 feet tall

WINTERS CORONAL

A large double flower  
 flower. Green leaves. Grows 3 feet tall

WYOMING

Orange red flowers  
 feet tall

CANYA PRIDE

Price, any of the above named 6 for \$1.00  
 12 for \$1.75, 25 for \$2.95, 50 for \$4.95



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